Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve

What is the Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve?

The Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve is an education program that provides up to 36 months of benefits to members of the Selected Reserve. This includes the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard Reserves, as well as the Army National Guard and the Air Guard. It is the first program that doesn't require a person to serve on active duty in the regular Armed Forces to qualify.

An eligible reservist may get education benefits while in a program approved for VA training. For information about the types of training available, call the toll-free number below.

Who is Eligible?

You may be an eligible reservist or National Guard member if:

- ♦ after 6/30/85, you signed a six-year obligation to serve in the Selected Reserve, AND
- ♦ you completed your Initial Active Duty for Training (IADT), AND
- ♦ you got your High School Diploma or GED before you completed your IADT, AND.
- ♦ you are in good standing in a drilling Selected Reserve unit.

If you stay in the Selected Reserves, benefits generally end 10 years from the date you become eligible for the program. You may have longer if you couldn't train because of a service-related disability.

Your eligibility generally ends when you leave the Selected Reserves.

Note: If you are an officer in the Selected Reserve, **or** if you entered active duty from the Selected Reserve after 11/29/89, call the toll-free number below for details.

How Much Does VA Pay?

The monthly benefit paid to you is based on the type of training you're in. If you're attending school, your payment is based on your training time.

How Can I Apply?

Your unit will give you a Notice of Basic Eligibility (DD Form 2384 or 2384-1) when you become eligible. When you find a program approved for VA training, fill out VA Form 22-1990, Application for Education Benefits. Send it to the VA regional office that serves the state where you will train. You can also apply on line through our website at http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp.

Related Benefits

Work-Study Program
Educational and Vocational Counseling

Tutorial Assistance

For More Information Call Toll-Free at 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551) or Visit Our Web Site www.gibill.va.gov